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Dear Distinguished Members of the Judiciary Committee,

Please oppose S.B. # 16

I'm opposed to extending the list of banned firearms. Every few years, the state adds firearms that are in common use to the already long list. Banning firearms and firearm features is not the answer to decreasing illegal firearms in Connecticut. And calling for more registration legislation? DESPP/SFLU is understaffed to the point that they cannot process carry permit renewals within 6 months.

I ask that you **NOT** support Governor Lamont's proposal which would principally undermine the constitutional rights of the over 300,000 lawful firearm permit holders of Connecticut while simultaneously having little to no effect on individuals who brazenly have no regard for the law.

In addition, I also **OPPOSE** Raised H.B. No. 5416 – AN ACT CONCERNING BULK PURCHASES OF PISTOLS AND REVOLVERS.

I **SUPPORT** Raised S.B. No. 388 – AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEFENSE OF A PERSON OR A

PERSON'S DWELLING, PLACE OF WORK OR
MOTOR VEHICLE.

I **SUPPORT** Raised H.B. No. 5415 – AN ACT
CONCERNING THE TRANSFER OF ASSAULT
WEAPONS AND LARGE CAPACITY MAGAZINES.

I **SUPPORT** Raised H.B. No. 5412 – AN ACT
CONCERNING THE DUTY TO RETREAT IN A
RELIGIOUS HOUSE OF WORSHIP.

Respectfully submitted,

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